



EVENTS

Ed Cunningham Night

Over the years, no one has done more for the Club than *Ed Cunningham*. Ed has served on more committees and sponsored more programs than perhaps any other Club member. And he has always done it with low profile, usually behind the scenes.

At long last, the Club is going to honor Ed by sponsoring an Ed Cunningham Appreciation Night. A reception, with abbreviated program, will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, May 6.

All of Ed's friends, in and out of the Club, are invited.

A committee of 35 Club members is making arrangements. If you like to participate, contact *Gloria Watson* or *Jim Wessel*.

Ben Lucien Burman Day

The tenth of May is *Ben Lucien Burman* Day at the OPC.

At 5:30 p.m. we'll be celebrating the publication by Vanguard Press of *High Treason At Catfish Bend*, latest in Ben's appealing series of satiric fables and animal fantasies. And at 7:00 p.m. we'll see "Steamboat Round The Bend," the Will Rogers film made from one of Ben's now classic books.

Our own *William Morris* will m.c. the literary half of the May 10 evening. John Hutchens, widely known and loved book critic, will be on hand for a few words, as will Edward Padula.

Padula, producer of such hits as "Bye Bye Birdie," plans a Broadway musical based on Ben's *Catfish Bend* stories. Speaking of futures, Walt Disney Productions has acquired the film rights of the *Catfish* books.

An Evening in Romania

Ambassador Nicolae Nicolae will host a distinguished stopover in the OPC International Happenings events at the Romanian Consulate, 573-577 Third Avenue on Thursday May 12, 5-7 PM.

Ambassador Nicolae Nicolae will talk of the aims of the Romanian Consulate, and will describe some of the specialty foods and wines to be tasted, these include: Sunca, the famous Romanian Ham, Sarmela or stuffed cabbage, and *Brinza, Feta, Kashcaval, Pecarino Romano* — Romanian cheeses to be savored along with *Mitetei*, a spiced sausage for which the best description will be awarded an accolade.

Noroc! is the toast of the evening. Come say it! Reservations necessary and limited. Call Mary Novick 687-2430. (Club contribution \$6.)

'Hustler' on Trial

"Talking Shop with Larry Flynt, publisher/editor of *Hustler* is the official title of our scheduled Tuesday, May 17 get-together. The cocktails and conversation start at 5:30 pm — and this writer will not touch the next line.

The legal journey from *Ulysses* to *Hustler* is much more than a literary trapse from classics to smut. Starting with Ralph Ginsburg of *Eros* infamy, contemporary legal gymnastics concerning erotic material have resulted in decisions against Harry Reems, star of "Deep Throat," Al Goldstein, publisher of *Screw* and, finally, Larry Flynt of *Hustler*.



LARRY FLYNT

The 37th annual OPC Awards ceremony featured a new efficient format that focused attention on the award-winners, forsaking a prominent speaker and the black-tie dinner.

Following the award presentations, which proceeded briskly, about 300 members and guests participated in a cocktail reception and buffet.

OPC President *Matt Bassity* presented the President's Award posthumously to Don Bolles, an *Arizona Republic* reporter who was murdered last June in Phoenix, while gathering information for investigative articles on organized crime in Arizona. Bassity noted that Don Bolles was the son of the late Donald C. Bolles, a former member of the OPC.

The President's Award, given in recognition of outstanding dedication and professionalism, was last presented to Lowell Thomas, in 1974.

Veteran broadcaster *Ben Grauer* announced the other OPC award-winners. They were:

Best Daily Newspaper or Wire Service Reporting from Abroad: Edward Cody, Associated Press, for his coverage of the war in Lebanon. Citations went to Robert Bartley, *Wall Street Journal*, for articles on China and Tibet after Mao's death; and Raymond R. Coffey, *Chicago Daily News*, for the general excellence of his foreign coverage.

Best Daily Newspaper or Wire Service Interpretation of Foreign Affairs: Flora Lewis, *The New York Times*, for consistently high quality of her analyses of events abroad.

Robert Capa Gold Medal for The Best Photographic Reporting or Interpretation From Abroad Requiring Exceptional Courage and Enterprise: Catherine Leroy, *Time Magazine*, for a sequence of pictures of street fighting in Lebanon.

Best Photographic Reporting From

Auction set for Thursday, May 5

Donations of memorabilia to be auctioned off for the OPC Foundation by Southey Parke Bernet's celebrated auctioneer John L. Marion passed the 150 count this week.

Recent additions to the collection include autographed books by Joseph Pulitzer, Jacqueline Onassis, Hubert Humphrey, Paul Meskill and George Aiken; an autographed silver dish from Governor Rockefeller; a casting of the July 4, 1976, bicentennial front page of the *Chicago Tribune* mounted on paneling from Col. McCormick's office; two dozen original political cartoons by *Ranan Lurie*.

Items will be on display Wednesday, May 4, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the auction itself will be Thursday the 5th from noon to 5 p.m., both in the eighth floor auditorium of the Time-Life Building in Rockefeller Center.

A complete catalog of all the items, and a bid sheet to submit bids without being present, will be available at both the preview and the auction.

The collection also contains early editions including a four-volume set of Shakespeare's Comedies published in 1896, an unpublished Ernest Hemingway manuscript, original paintings, a signed Dali poster, souvenirs of coverage in Korea and the Antarctic.

—George Burns

Abroad: Robert W. Madden and W. E. (Bill) Garrett, *National Geographic Magazine*, for photo coverage of the earthquake in Guatemala.

Best Radio Spot News From Abroad: Jerry King, *John Cooley*, Charles Glass and Bill Blakemoore, ABC Radio News, for "The Siege of Tel Al Zataar"; and Mike Lee and Doug Tennell, CBS Radio News, for coverage of the war in Lebanon.

Best Radio Interpretation of Foreign News: CBS Radio News, for the 30-part program "The World Looks at America," anchored by Charles Collingswood.

Best TV Spot News Reporting From Abroad: Mike Lee, CBS-TV News, for coverage of the siege of the Tel Al Zataar refugee camp in Lebanon.

Best TV Interpretation or Documentary on Foreign Affairs: NBC-TV News, for the 3-hour broadcast of January 5, 1976, "New World — Hard Choices," with *Dan O'Connor*, producer, John Chancellor, anchorman, and various correspondents.

Best Magazine Reporting From Abroad: *Newsweek Magazine*, for coverage of the civil war in Lebanon, with articles by Barry Came, Tony Clifton, Loren Jankins and Bill Schmidt; Citation to James N. Wallace, *U.S. News and World Report*, for seven articles on the Soviet Union.

Best Magazine Interpretation of Foreign Affairs: *Tad Szulc*, *New Republic Magazine*, for a series on the situation in European countries, East and West, Citation to Allard K. Lowenstein, *Saturday Review*, for his article on "Spain Without Franco."

Best Cartoon on Foreign Affairs: Warren King, *New York Daily News* for his concept of Arab handling of oil prices; Citation to Tony Auth, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, for his cartoon on Chinese rejection of Mme Mao's bid for power.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Active Resident

B.P. Mason, writer/editor, United Nations

SPONSORS: *Albert Wall, Whitman Bassow*

Active Non-Resident

Jane Lee Anderson, reporter, feature writer, *Asbury Park Press*

SPONSORS: *Dorothy Ingling, Mary Hornaday*

Leigh Cook, staff writer, *Asbury Park Press*

SPONSORS: *Matt Bassity, Wilma Dobie*

Arlene Gould Rodman, freelance

SPONSORS: *Mary Hornaday, Marguerite Cartwright*

Active Overseas

Joseph A. Harriss, associate editor, *Reader's Digest*, Paris, France

SPONSORS: *Matt Bassity, Wilma Dobie*

Lynn Jones, bureau chief, ABC News, Moscow

SPONSORS: *Elmer Lower, Donald Coe*

Associate Resident

Marguerite R. Vauclair, promotion mgr., Johnson Int'l Publishing Corp.

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Associate Non-Resident

Ann Bridge Dannenberg, freelance

SPONSORS: *Matt Bassity, Will Yolen*

NEW MEMBERS

Active Resident

Angela Canade

Paula Hirth

Sidney Holtz

Reg Laite

LeLei LeLaulu

Omar Lopera

Active Non-Resident

Lois Baumeol

John T. Barr

Active Overseas

William F. Nicholson

Associate Resident

Cmdr. Russ Bufkins USN (ret)

John F. Lewis

Hyman Goldfeld

Larry K. Starkey

Bang Phi Nguyen

Best Business News Reporting From Abroad: Alfred Zanker, *U.S. News and World Report*, for various articles on aspects of economic developments in foreign countries.

Best Book on Foreign Affairs: *John Toland*, for "Adolf Hitler" (Doubleday); Citation to Hedrick Smith, for "The Russians" (Quadrangle Books).

Madeline Dane Ross Award, (\$350) For International Reporting In Any Medium Which Demonstrates A Concern For Humanity: June Goodwin, *Christian Science Monitor*, for her articles on racial change in South Africa; Citation to Ron Kovic, *Playboy Magazine*, for the article, "Born on the Fourth of July."

Bob Considine Memorial Award, (\$1,000) For Best Reporting From Abroad In Any Medium Requiring Exceptional Courage and Initiative: Robin Wright, *Christian Science Monitor*, for a dramatic series on the conflict in Angola, and subsequent military trials.

OPC President Bassity paid tribute to *Anita Diamant Berke*, chairman of the Awards Reception Committee and the club's Treasurer; *Kathleen McLaughlin*, who has been responsible for the continuity of the Awards Program; *Sylvia Schur* for arranging the buffet; *George Burns* for writing the presentation script; and *Charles Rotkin* for handling the production.

Dr. Austin Smith, chairman of the board of McKenzie Associates and president of the OPC Foundation, which cosponsored the event, presented the awards.

—Ralph Leviton

CALENDAR

Tuesday, May 3, 5:30 p.m. — Special Headliner Evening. Speaker, Alex Parker, leading New York realtor. Subject: "The Battle for Times Square."

Wednesday, May 4, 12 Noon, Cocktails; 12:30, Luncheon — Headliner Luncheon. Guest, Edward Patton, president of Alaska Pipeline.

Wednesday, May 4, OPC Foundation Auction Preview. Time-Life Auditorium. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Thursday, May 5, 12 Noon to 5 p.m. — OPC Foundation Auction. Time-Life Auditorium.

Friday, May 6, 6:00 p.m. — Ed Cunningham Appreciation Night. All of Ed's friends are welcome.

Monday, May 9, 6:30 p.m. — OPC Annual Meeting. Board Of Governors Election results will be announced.

Tuesday, May 10, 5:30 p.m. — At Home With... Ben Lucien Burman. See story this issue.

Thursday, May 12, 5:00 p.m. — An Evening in Romania. Wine and Food Tasting at new Romanian Consulate. See story this issue for details.

Tuesday, May 17, 5:30 p.m. — Talking Shop With... Larry Flynt, publisher and editor of *Hustler Magazine*.

Tuesday, May 24, 5:30 p.m. — At Home With... Kathleen McLaughlin. Details next issue.

Wednesday, May 25, 5:30 p.m. — Talking Shop With... Howard Blum, *New York Times* reporter and author, *Wanted! The Search for Nazis in America*.

RESERVATIONS: Please call Mary Novick, 687-2430. Reservation cancellations must reach the OPC 24 hours before the event, otherwise members will be charged the announced fee.

Oliver denounces broadcast media

A charge that the local and network broadcast media are not fulfilling their responsibility "to provide coverage" of the New York area as they are required to do by law, was made at the Overseas Press Club by Richard Oliver, metropolitan editor of *The Daily News*.

Time after time, Oliver hit out at the broadcast media — network and local — for what he termed was their failure to go out and dig for news.

Moreover, the editor, who also teaches at the Columbia School of Journalism, pointed out that the broadcast stations are licensed by law to provide that coverage and if they do not, "the F.C.C. has the power to transfer or revoke their licenses."

Radio and television "are not doing their job," he declared, charging several times that the stations were in effect lifting stories direct from the metropolitan dailies without even a rewrite or a new lead, "Why should the *Daily News* serve the radio stations who are making millions of dollars using the public airways?" asked Oliver.

Asserting that *The Daily News* is involved in investigative reporting, Oliver "invited" the broadcasters "to get in on the act; to get in on the competition, and then we really will have a revolution in New York journalism."

— Ben G. Frank

Food and drinks at Shun Bun feast

As the sun sets later in the month following the Shun Bun party at Overseas Press Club, tasters at that event have queried the identity of some of the liquors and accompaniments enjoyed. The hors d'oeuvre included Japanese seasoned rice Sushi, some with seaweed and fresh fish accents from *Genroku Sushi*, the toasts included Suntory Akadama Plum and Cherry Wines for fresh-as-Spring cocktails which members enjoyed the more for the thought of their additional uses as summer barbecue glazes and punch bases. Calpis, a newsmaking sweet milk-based non-alcoholic drink from Tokyo made a pleasant mixer for Suntory fruit wine cocktails. "Hi," which in Japanese means "yes" as well as "Hello," was the Shun Bun greeting around the Japanese rock garden provided by Japan Airlines, in the spirit of Around the World in OPC International Happenings.

Look Southward is Pan Am Day message

A plea for more understanding of Latin American neighbors, and the chance for U.S. rapprochement with Cuba dominated speeches by distinguished authorities at the OPC Pan American Day lunch "Salute" April 14.

Guest speakers included John Davis Lodge, former American Ambassador to Argentina and Spain, and also a former Connecticut Governor; Stan Swinton, Vice President of Associated Press, and Dean Ward Dennis, Director of the Latin American Institute at Columbia University.

All of them, with slightly different emphasis, made the key plea that the United States take a new look at individual Latin American countries; make a new serious approach in the interest of better understanding. They were less than optimistic that U.S./Cuban relations can be sorted out very soon.

All three were pessimistic about any immediate restoration of U.S./Cuban diplomatic ties. Amb. Lodge sees Fidel Castro "as getting the best of us. We better be careful. It is not enough to get together and shake hands." He sees no indication that Castro is ready to go half way. "Play the cards slowly," he warned.

While happy that Cuba has suddenly opened up to U.S. news services, Stan Swinton sees "very little chance of rapprochement with the U.S.," as long as Cuba is active in Africa. Agreeing with Lodge, he sees "no dynamic change yet," especially as long as Cuba is involved in Angola, Zaire, Mozambique.

Those attending were treated to complimentary cocktails of El Presidente Brandy by Pedro Domecq of Mexico and cans of Colombian coffee, courtesy of the Colombian Tourist Office in New York. They also received several table favors from Braniff International. The menu, consisting of delectable Latin American foods, was prepared by Jim Balzano and the Baltimore's food service department. The Pan American Day program was organized by Sylvia Schur and Lou Garcia of the Special Events Committee with the assistance of manager Jimmy Menditto.

— Blythe Foote Finke

From the Clubs —

BONN — AP's Germany News Editor Otto Doelling off to Cairo to assume new post as Chief of Bureau... Nick Colchester, *Financial Times* Bonn Correspondent for past four years, moving to London home office. Nick and Mrs. Colchester off to Indonesia for three-week vacation before assuming new post... Jonathan Carr resigning from *Economist* in Brussels to succeed Colchester here. Carr has served tour with *FinTimes* here couple of years ago... Murray Seeger of *LATimes*, Sandy Higgins of AP Bonn and Bob McNamara of CBS News were among group of foreign correspondents covering Romanian quake. Correspondents were based in hard-hit Bucharest... AP's Berlin Correspondent, Hu Erb, and *Washington Post's* Bonn man, Mike Getler, joined large group of foreign newsmen at Leipzig Trade Fair in East Germany... Getler also took in Yugoslavia, East Germany and USA (mother's 75th birthday surprise) in whirlwind fortnight of travel... Several U.S. newsmen attended small farewell luncheon for Karl Paschke, newly appointed West German Press Counselor in Washington, who is slated to assume new post in early April. Guests invited by Dr. Arthur von Magnus of the Foreign Office included Mike Getler (*WashPost*), Bill Long (UPI), John Clyne (USIS) and your correspondent... Gary Stindt, NBC's Director of News based in West Berlin, went to Moscow for SecofState Cyrus Vance's meeting with Brezhnev, then followed Vance to Bonn for meeting with Chancellor Helmut Schmidt... Fifteen U.S. State Dept press corps members flew in here with Vance for five-hour stop en route from Moscow to London...

— Henry Hartsenbusch

WHO, WHAT, WHERE

By GRACE NAISMITH

TRAVELING: Beryl Bernay off to Denmark where she will have an exhibition of 162 photographs of Bali in Copenhagen. Ms. Bernay currently aired on NBC News and Information Service with series, "Americans, Who Are We?" ... Cindy Reagan back from 10-day assignment in Thailand, covering First Annual Pattaya Beach Festival and other stories for Travel Agent Magazine ... **Ray Shaw** on maiden voyage of Cunard Princess to Bermuda, and later visited Ossabaw Island, Georgia ... **Herb Silverman** on his way to Vienna to do a story on "How to Diet in Vienna" for Weightwatchers Magazine. He recently covered a Durbar in Komasi Ghana in honor of Prince Charles. ... **Arky Gonzalez**, by balloon photographing African wild animal safari for an article for *National Observer*. Also to India to cover recent election for *To the Point* Magazine (what and where is that?) Arky based in London these days ... **Elias Newman** to Greek Islands, with wife Judy, to do some sketching. Newman recently received the Stanley Grumbacher Memorial Award at the 35th Annual Exhibition of the Audubon Artists in the National Academy Galleries ... **Jane McIlvaine McClary**, author of international best-seller, "A Portion for Foxes," recently visited the People's Republic of China, as a member of the National Delegation of Women Professional Leaders. ... **Clayton Willis** of Willis News Service, Washington, back from his 77-acre Savannah Hill Plantation condominium development at Eleuthera, sends greetings to his many friends at OPC.

PUBLISHING: George E. Burns has lead article in *New York Times* Travel Section April 10, "Put Yourself in the Pilot's Seat." ... **Walter Froehlich**, veteran science and technology writer, of Washington OPC, is the author of 132-page lavishly illustrated book on "Apollo Soyus," first international manned spaceflight. Published in April by NASA, the paperback is available at U.S. Government book stores or by mail from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. It portrays not only the course of the mission,

but traces the negotiations that made it possible.

HONOR: Lewis Cotlow receives highest award of the Explorers Club. His expeditions, films, books and lectures have given him "eminence as a towering giant of the 20th century" joining Amundsen, Ellsworth, Peary, Byrd, Piccard, Hoover and **Lowell Thomas** in receiving the Explorers Medal.

MOVED: J. Clifford Stark, OPC past president — from St. Petersburg, Fla. to Houston, Texas. Address: 505 Cypress Station Drive (1209), Houston, Texas 77090.

NEW LOOK: Wayne Pennington opens new pr and advertising agency with Bob Wills — Wills, Pennington & Associates, 1304 Paddock Drive, Quail Corners, Raleigh, NC 27609; phone (919) 872-5511. Pennington is president. He spent 20 years in New York City in pr before returning to his native state, where, since 1972, he was director of communications for the Southeast Division of Martin Marietta Aggregates in Raleigh. ... **Harry Cushing**, retired manager of information services for American Motors Corporation, Detroit, has been named U.S. editor for *Auto Technisch Tudschrift*, Dutch motoring publication. Cushing spent 42 years in newspaper, magazine editing and automotive pr work before retiring and joining the Olyslager Organization, publishers of *Auto Technisch Tudschrift*.

RECUPERATING: Bob Sheridan's foot will be out of a cast the first week in May... **Ben Burman's** tiny artist wife, Alice Caddy, improving from hip surgery after a fall.

PRAISE: William Safire says, to open your mind, read former member Victor Lasky's new book, "It Didn't Start with Watergate." Safire says in *N.Y. Times*, "it's not like any book on the Watergate shelf." Publisher Dial.

SEEN ON THE SCENE: From Washington, OPC members **Jo Newman, Julia Edwards, Rachael Baumel.**

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